BAR HILL NEWS

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Christmas Is Coming!

Yes, I know it's difficult to believe as I sit here typing this in nearly 30-degree heat but it will soon be upon us and now is the time for us to start planning for this years Christmas Event which will which take place on the 26th November this year.

We are expecting to have our traditional tree as well as expanding the lights to cover a larger area - there might even be another visit from Father Christmas!

If you'd be interested in volunteering to help, please get in touch with Laura Chapman - **laurac@barhillca.org** - or, if you'd like to donate please use the QR code below or you can access **https://bit.ly/bhca-christmas** directly.

Are you part of a local group? Do you have any local news? We'd love to hear from you!! Please drop us an email **bhn-editor@barhillca.org** to be included in a future issue.

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EDITORIAL

September 2022

Welcome to our September issue!

The run up to Christmas starts here (I know - terrifying isn't it?!) and we're currently starting to plan the Christmas Market and (hopefully!) this years Colouring Competition.

On that note we have our very own colouring competition this month on Page 14. Enjoy!

This month we have a feature on Roger Hall on Page 20 as well as his final article on Page 37.

Final note, after a few months testing the new deadline (2nd Thursday of the month) with a reminder email going out at the start of the month, it seems to be working a lot better for me, the printers, as well as the deliverers so this change is now going to be permanent. If you'd like to be added to the reminder email please let me know!

Comments?
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Anything you'd like to see?
Anything you don't think is particularly useful?
Please fill in our survey;
http://bit.ly/BHNSurvey

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NOTICES & LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Please send your letters & notices to **bhn-editor@barhillca.org**. Thank you!

Dear All,

At the moment we have a bit of a gap on the News team and we were wondering if there was anyone in the village who would like to volunteer to run the Social Media account for the Community Association?

We're not clear on exactly what we want so I guess the first step would be to help us work that out!

Please contact me/ the editor for details!

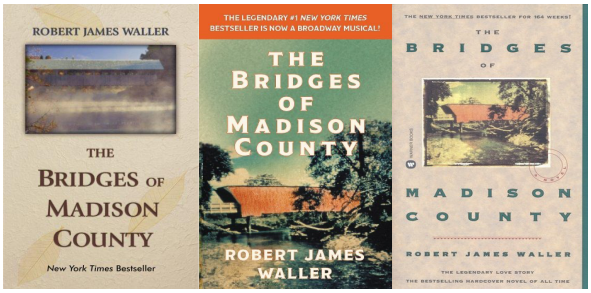
Thank you, Andy Pellew

8 O'clock Club

The 8 O'clock club was started in 1973 as a monthly meeting for women of all ages who live in the village. Due to covid we have not had a meeting since March 2020 but we are now ready to start again. Our meetings take the form of speakers or demonstrators and we also have a Christmas meal, Birthday party and garden party.

Our 1st meeting on the 8 September is an enrolment evening with wine and nibbles in the school at 7.30pm(please note new time). The fee for this year until September 2023 is £10 for the year plus £1 each meeting to cover refreshments and raffle. For members who paid in 2019 they will not have to pay the £10. Future dates in 2022 are 6 October, 7 November and either 1/8 December.

If you would like to come for a visit, please feel free to join us on the 8 September or at any future meetings. If you would like further details please phone Barbara, **204171**, Adela **204265** or Ann **204687**.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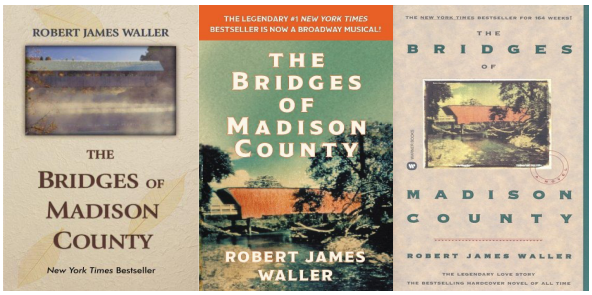
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12th September	Coffee Stop	Foodbank	Carers Café 10.30 - 11.30
19th September	Coffee Stop	Foodbank	
26th September	Coffee Stop	Foodbank	PC Surgery

Coffee Stop: Pop in for a coffee, a piece of cake and a chat with friends, old and new!

Foodbank: No need for any vouchers. If you are struggling financially, drop by and let us help you

Citizens Advice: will be **re-starting** from **Monday 3 October**. For one of our 9am, 10am, 11am appointments, please either:

Email: **barhilladvice@gmail.com** or,
Send a PM: Kevin Potts using Facebook Messenger or,
Phone: and leave your details with our freephone number: **0800 088 6522**

Health & Wellbeing: On the 1st Monday of the month, take advantage of some exercise guidance from our experienced coach and visiting speakers

Carers Café: On the **2nd Monday** of the month, by Maple Surgery, who will be providing support for any carers in the village, even if you are not a patient of Maple Surgery.

Parish Council Surgery: Speak in person with a Parish Councillor on the **4th Monday** of every month

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Household Budget

To help people manage the household budget squeeze, here are some ideas on where to get support and advice.

For general advice on cost of living and support, you can visit the Cambridge and District Citizens Advice Bureau website at **www.cambridgecab.org.uk** or call **0808 278 7808**. Check if you are entitled to benefits on the South Cambs website at **www.scambs.gov.uk/benefits** to see if any financial help is available to you. This could include those such as Universal Credit, Disability and Carers benefits, Pension credit, help with childcare costs and working from home allowance.

If you are on a low income and struggling to meet Council Tax payments, you may be eligible for support. More information and an application form is available at **www.scambs.gov.uk/counciltax/council-tax-support**.

Energy Rebate

To help people deal with rising energy costs earlier this year, the Government announced a £150 rebate for households in Council Tax bands A to D. Most people who pay by Direct Debit received this automatically, but if you have questions, visit **www.scambs.gov.uk/counciltax/150-energy-rebate**

Local Energy Advice Partnership (LEAP) This is a free advice service, offering energy tariff comparisons, installing simple energy saving measures like LED lightbulbs and radiator reflector panels, and giving referrals to more complex energy saving measures. To view the qualifying criteria or book an appointment, visit **https://applyforleap.org.uk/** or call free: **0800 060 7657**.

Flooding – Create a Plan

Being prepared in advance could make a huge difference if you are unlucky enough to experience flooding.

- Check your insurance cover
- Record your building and contents insurance company
- Find out how to turn off your gas, electricity and water supplies
- Keep a list of useful telephone numbers (including your GP details, insurance claim line and policy number)
- Put together an emergency flood kit including insurance documents, phone chargers, cash and credit cards plus any medication or repeat prescription forms
- Think about the needs of children, elderly, the disabled and your pets.
- Take detailed photos of your property and contents now
- Make an action plan to use in the event of a flood.
- Templates, help & advice is available at **www.scambs.gov.uk/flooding**
- Identify and list urgent actions in priority of value.

Eco Homes 12 Sep to 14 Oct

Five homeowners will show how their homes are kind to the environment in online and in-person tours.

Open Eco Homes will also host six talks to help you turn inspiration into improvements. Topics include Retrofit, Living with a Heat Pump and Smart Electric Homes. For details visit: **www.cambridgecarbonfoot print.org/open-eco-homes**

Welcome & please contact me if you would like further information, help, or advice
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Bar Hill Church news

Services

Sun 4 Sept, 10:00 am	Holy Communion (Anglican) led by Revd Alison Hudson
Sun 11 Sept, 10:00 am	All Together Worship led by Heather Smethurst
Wed 14 Sept, 10:00 am	Midweek Holy Communion led by Richard Lewney
Sun 18 Sept, 10:00 am	Holy Communion (Baptist) led by Revd Brian Durkin
Sun 25 Sept, 10:00 am	Inter-generational worship

Sunday morning services can also be attended via Zoom: meeting id 882 9761 3899, password: 284740. The meeting has a waiting room so we recommend joining several minutes early.

News

The process for appointing a new minister continues and we expect to formally advertise the vacancy soon. The procedure is slightly complicated because we are an ecumenical partnership, that is to say we are not part of a single denomination but we are in partnership with the Church of England, the Baptist Union, the Methodist Church and the United Reformed Church. Our new minister could therefore come from any of these organisations.

Church Contacts

Church Office	Ian Farr	01954 206120 church.office@barhillchurch.org.uk
Address	Bar Hill Church Centre, Hanover Close, Bar Hill, Cambridge CB23 8EH	
Website	https://barhillchurch.org.uk	
Facebook	https://facebook.com/barhillchurch	

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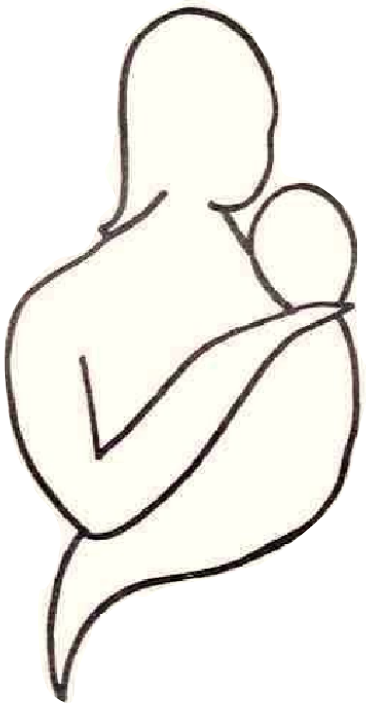

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All the very best for summer 2022.

Thank you for your continued support.

Stay safe

Avril Williams

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HAPPY HOURS - September 2022

The Bar Hill Happy Hours club meets in the main bar area of the Bar Hill Sports and Social Club between 2 and 4pm on Friday afternoons for tea/coffee and cakes, getting together with friends, fun and games. All of this for only £2 per person. The bar is open if you want something extra.

We are looking for new members to join us, so if you are 50 or over, want to get out, see some old friends, meet some new ones and have some fun why not come along and join us.

Coming up:

2nd September: Bingo and a Quiz

9th September: Party with Live Entertainment

16th September: Casino Afternoon

23rd September: Bingo and a Quiz

30th September: Games and a Quiz

7th October: Early Christmas Sales

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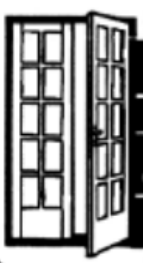

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Roger Hall, 1943-2022
Historian and Local Hero

I had the pleasure and honour of visiting Jo Hall and her daughter Pippa to talk about their late husband and father, Roger Hall. They had a lot to say about Roger, who was dearly loved and is sadly missed, and a lovely story emerged.

Roger went to Oldham Hulme Grammar School. "He was badly bullied at school" Jo told me "And when he left, he threw his cap back at the school as if to say I'm done with this!" The bullying had such a profound affect on him, that he didn't do well in his GCEs or progress to university to study history as he had planned.

Instead, his love of books led him to take a job at Sherrett and Hughes bookshop in Manchester. Whilst working there he successfully studied for a Booksellers Diploma. In 1962, aged just 19, Roger took a job at Heffers in Cambridge, and so began his life in Cambridgeshire. His northern cousin Margery,often teased him by declaring "He then became a southerner." Margery still lives near Oldham where she grew up, to this day.

Meanwhile three years later, living a quiet life as a children's nanny in leafy Chaucer Road in Cambridge, a young woman called Josephine Leggett from Oulton Broad near Lowestoft, was persuaded to attend Great St Mary's Harvest Supper in the Guildhall. It was here that Jo literally bumped into Roger.

"He was dressed all in green" she smiles remembers dancing with Roger. Thus began a courtship mainly conducted in the Botanical Gardens, except for one occasion when Roger took Jo for a

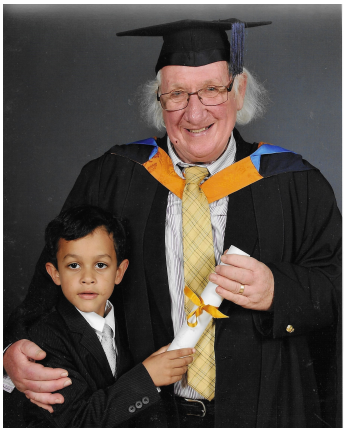
walk across a ploughed field where she consequently broke the heel off her shoe!

"He said as soon as he saw me, he knew I was the one for him" she recalls, "And six weeks later he asked me to marry him" Roger and Jo were married in 1966 and this strong and happy union lasted for 56 years.

Roger asked Heffers if, now he was a married man with responsibilities, he could have a pay rise. When he was refused, he went to work for the publishers Blackie (the Topsy and Tim books are amongst their publications) as a sales rep. Pippa remembers "Dad would arrange his appointments so my brother Simon and I, along with the dog, could go to work with him. He would put us all in the car, then after he finished his work, he would take us to interesting places like a castle or the beach. One day I remember helping him out by counting all the Flower Fairy story books in a bookshop." After leaving Blackies, Roger ran his own bookshop in Royston for 10 years, where Pippa helped out again on Saturdays.

One day in 1969, Roger and Jo read an advertisement for a new residential

development. A new village called Bar Hill, situated just north of Cambridge, that promised a "unique residential area,



having abundant open green spaces among the neighbourhoods with connecting paths". They were excited to see this new scheme for themselves. They drove out along the A604 and were so taken with what they saw, they wanted to be a part of community. "We ended up putting down a deposit on a house in Otter Close" Jo recalled.

Life moved on for the Halls and 1971 they adopted their son Simon and in 1973 Pippa was born.

Roger quickly became involved in community work in Bar Hill. He was a Parish Councillor as well as chairman of the Residents' Association. Later he became a district councillor and also took on the role of governor at Bar Hill Primary School and Swavesey Village College.

It seemed to me that Roger possessed the vital qualities of a local politician. "Dad was an individual who was never afraid to stick his head above the parapet and express an opinion" Pippa told me "He really did care and fight for the people he represented"

Roger worked closely with Councillor Bunty Waters. "Roger and I have had long careers as District Councillors, working together covering Bar Hill, Dry Drayton, Boxworth and Lolworth." she told me "We would attend all the Parish meetings, some were monthly and, in the smaller villages, twice a year, Roger worked seriously hard for the four villages. He became very well known in the local community for his dedication and support for residents and counted them as his friends. Roger attended several South Cambs District Council meetings and was vocal in areas in which he felt strongly. Roger was a friend and colleague over many years; serving the District Council for around15 years. After such a long time working together I will miss his wise words and great historical knowledge".

In fact history was a great passion of Roger's from an early age. He remembered that he first became interested in the subject when he visited Hastings as a child. Since then, Roger researched his family history back to the 16th century and has written letters to his grandsons Samuel and Joseph with details of their ancestors. You may know that Roger wrote "A History of Bar Hill", an updated version of the book is awaiting publication. "Dad always loved researching things and gathering information. Writing the book was a labour of love for him. He loved the village" explained Pippa.

At the age of 73, achieved his long held ambition by studying for a degree in History at Anglia Ruskin University, gaining a 2:1.

Roger's family were immensely proud of all his achievements but above all, to them, he was a wonderful, supportive husband, loving Dad and caring Grandpa. He and his thirteen year old grandson Sam were especially close.

Pippa told me how Sam spoke so emotionally at Roger's funeral. "He wasn't just my Grandpa, he was my best friend" he declared.

A life well lived.

By Bridget Wilson

Bar Hill Primary School

Thank you to everyone that came and supported our Summer Fayre on the 24th June, it was lovely to see so many people back together again having fun and enjoying themselves. We are delighted to announce that we raised £1100.00. Special thanks to our parent helper, George who ran a very successful BBQ, we had lots of lovely feedback about the food so thank you George.

We have said goodbye to our Year 6 children who, at the time of writing were enjoying transition at their secondary schools. They celebrated in style at the leavers prom which was hosted by the PTA. Many thanks to T&C Photography for capturing the evening's memories.

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As a well established group, we enjoy our knitting and definitely enjoy nattering. Part of our afternoon's programme now includes some much needed stretching and strengthening exercises aptly led by Wendy and then there is always the tea and cake!

We continue to knit for any charity that requires our out-put and mostly baby clothes and blankets which are needed by several organisations. We are always very grateful for donations of wool to complete our garments and projects and I would be pleased to collect any wool you can spare, or bring it along and meet us all.

We have recently enjoyed a Jubilee Party together and offered Her Majesty the Queen a toast of grateful thanks for her outstanding reign of service. An enjoyable time was had by all.

This group is right for anyone who wants to make new friends and find out more about what is going on in the village and to be included in events as they happen. You will be most welcome to join us.

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The site has undergone various small extensions and a complete rebuild over the years to continually improve the facilities such as the provision of WiFi.

The large Main Hall has multi-purpose vinyl flooring, making it flexible for all types of events. There is a kitchen alongside the Hall with a serving hatch, making it useful for self-catering at parties, discos and the like. The licensed bar can be booked on request and will be serviced by the Sports and Social Club. The Hall opens out onto a large patio area that is ideal for external activities or a spill-over for internal events and has two bolted gates that lead off the premises.

There is also a small Meeting Room, with its own independent access and great for meetings of up to 10 people.

The Village Hall is a UK-registered charity (number 1002579) and run by a committee of trustees who are committed to the on-going development of the Village Hall's role as a key community facility.

To make a booking, please visit our web site **barhillvillagehall.com** and then email **enquiries@barhillvillagehall.com** to confirm arrangements.

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Parish Council Clerk

Please contact the Clerk in the first instance if you have any queries or concerns.

Parish Council Office Opening Hours

The Parish Council Office will be open to the public Monday to Friday 09.30-11.30 Other times available by appointment only.

Saturday Surgeries

Bar Hill Parish Council will be trialling appointment only surgeries on Saturdays for residents of the village.

The next date will be Saturday 3rd September.

If you would like to book an appointment, please contact the clerk (as above).

Grass Cutting

With the recent spate of dry weather, the Council's contractors are monitoring grass growth and will be adjusting mowing schedules accordingly. You may see mowers out cutting areas like the Village Green when there appears to be minimal growth, but this may be necessary to keep weeds which are still growing at bay.

If there are any isolated areas which need mowing, please let the Parish Council know, and the Council will try to arrange for limited cutting to occur.

Contractors may also be deployed on other activities such as hedge cutting, weed spraying, edging and tidying around the village in lieu of grass cutting operations

Damage to Play Equipment

There has been damage to some of the play equipment in the Village, which is being repaired at a cost to the Council.

Graffiti in the Village

There has recently been a spate of Graffiti in the village to play equipment and bus shelters. If you see any graffiti, please report it to the Clerk who will arrange for its removal. The removal of graffiti is paid for by the Parish Council.

Next Meeting Dates

Full Council Meeting: 15 September 2022

Environment & Amenities Committee Meeting: 7 September 2022

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Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996 (South Cambs DC); http://bit.ly/bh-dogfouling

Environmental Crime (South Cambs DC); http://bit.ly/bh-envirocrime

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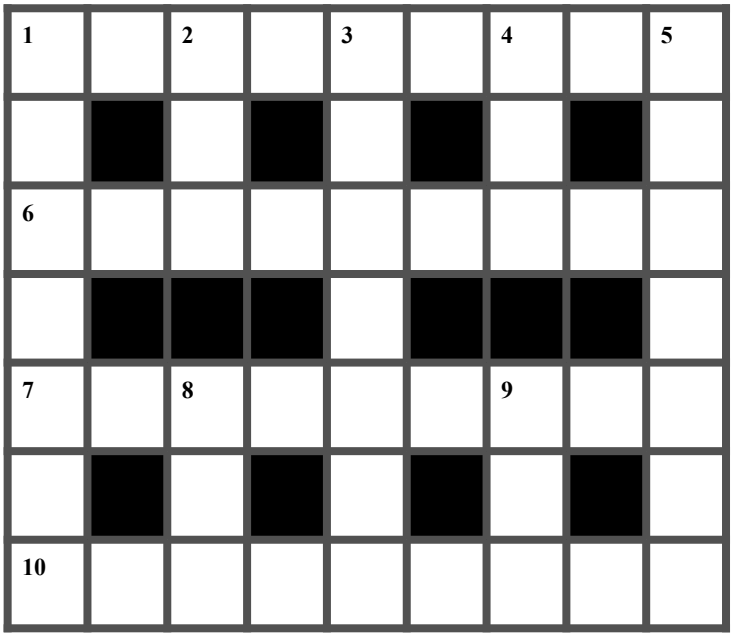

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24-NOV: Christmas Event, time and place to be announced

We will be doing the Poppy appeal in Tesco's as usual from Tuesday 1st until Saturday 12th November and would be grateful to anyone who would be willing to give an hour or two of their time to help. Please contact Maggie Cox (Poppy Appeal organiser) on 01954 488657 or 07922 342954 .

The Remembrance service will be on Sunday 13th November at 10am.

We are also hoping to purchase a RBL 'Lest we forget' bench and are looking to find sponsors to help finance this. If you or anyone you know would be interested, please contact Maggie or Malcolm Cox on the above number.

For further information please contact Wendy Arrowsmith on **01954 781381** or Malcolm Cox on **01954 488657** or just come along to the next meeting.

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Bar Hill Cricket Club

We've had some good individual performances but no more victories to report in the CCA league.

Away to Milton III, Jamil Haque took three wickets but the hosts still set a still target of 327. That was always likely to be beyond us, but Paul Stimpson scored 78 and Phil Orvis 33 and some other good contributions took us to 220 for 7 in reply.

That 78 was the best batting score of the month, and the best bowling went to Jamil Haque with great figures of 5 for 18 against Steeple Morden. He also took three catches as the visitors were bowled out for 131. Unfortunately, Bar Hill could only post 80 in reply.

In between those two matches, we played away to Camden in the closest match of the month. There were three wickets each for Tom Page and Adam Dean as Camden were bowled out for 151. Adam then hit 64 but from being well placed at 144 for 5, Bar Hill were bowled out for 149 as a home bowler took six wickets.

Craig Owen had the best performance in the midweek league, hitting 51 – his first ever half-century – against BAS. That set up a victory as Joe O'Gorman took four wickets.

Also in the midweek league, we lost to Dobblers. A friendly against Domino resulted in a victory – thanks to Domino for a great match which we hope to repeat in future.

By the time you read this, we will have finished our playing season, including youth training nights, but look out for a fundraising quiz night hopefully in the autumn.

Keep an eye on our website at **barhillcricket.org.uk** or on our Facebook page for the latest information.

Paul Stimpson

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We look forward to seeing you at our next session

GO LAWN BOWL!

Coton Bowls Club is opening in May for anyone who would like to come and play. You can find us on the recreation ground in Coton, opposite The Plough pub. Anyone with a pair of trainers (or flat soled shoes) can play, so why not come along for a friendly game and a cup of tea or something a little stronger afterwards? Parking available.

Our ***Bowls for All*** open sessions will be on:-

Monday 2 May 2-4pm
(bank holiday)

Thursday 5 May 6-8 pm

Sunday 15 May 2-4 pm

Tuesday 24 May 6-8 pm

If you would like any further information do contact Alyson on tel: 07958 444047, email: opensessions@cotonbowlsclub.co.uk, or check out our website: www.cotonbowlsclub.co.uk

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Cambridgeshire Constabulary

It may seem like the obvious thing to do in this type of heat - leaving windows and doors open to let some air into your home.

However, since the beginning of July, 22 burglaries or attempted burglaries across the county have been linked to open or unlocked windows and doors.

We have made arrests and continue to tackle burglary as a force priority.

But please don't make it easy for burglars and ensure your home is secure if you're not nearby.

For more burglary prevention advice, please see our website: **https://orlo.uk/KYY8i+**

Bar Hill Colts Football Club

Your local colts football teams are currently looking for new players (all mixed teams boys and girls). Please do contact the below for further information.

Under 6's (age 5 - 6)

Ruben: ruben.sanchez1985@hotmail.com

Under 7's (age 6 - 7)

Ashley: Ashtheo_3@icloud.com or 07810436820

Under 9's (age 8 – 9)

Graham: Grahamhow4rd@gmail.com or 07852294047

Under 10's (age 9 – 10)

Peter: Pedrito_tod@yahoo.co.uk or 07960064472

Under 11's (age 10 – 11)

Chris: chrisewles@hotmail.co.uk or 07809413441

Under 12's (age 11 – 12)

Kev: Kevin.houston@hotmail.co.uk or 07401686878

Under 15's (Age 14 – 15)

Joe: Joeegan1507@gmail.com or 07742887586

Peter: penderlein@web.de or 07799754913

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NHS

Introduction from our new Clinical Pharmacist

Hello to the patients of Willingham and Longstanton surgery. My name is Simon Swallow and I have joined the practice as a Clinical Pharmacist.

I live in Godmanchester and have done most of my adult life. I have two grown up sons (23 and 19), both of which I am very proud of and are now pursuing their own lives in the careers they have chosen. I have been a pharmacist since 1993 and have had a very varied career working for Boots and more recently Lloyds Pharmacy. I have worked as a pharmacist most of the time but also have held senior management roles, been part of a training team and more recently taught in further education- which I will be continuing when not in my clinical pharmacist role.

You may be speaking to me/seeing me at some point when you have contact with the surgery, I look forward to meeting you as my time in the surgery progresses. I hope to bring some of my experience and knowledge to help the surgery to deliver the best care possible, although I do have a steep learning curve to climb too.

I will be working very closely with other Dr's in the surgery to improve patient care providing extra help to manage long-term conditions, advice for those on multiple medicines and helping with any minor ailments you may have. Keeping you at the centre of your care as a patient I am a firm believer in. I look forward to meeting/ talking to you.

Thanks, Simon.

Patient Participation Group (PPG)

The next PPG meeting is being held at the Ploughman's hall, on Wednesday 14th September at 7pm. The practice will be delivering an up to date presentation regarding the pressures on primary care, and statistics regarding Northstowe and the practice expansion.

To express an interest in attending the meeting, please contact Sue Ayling (PPG secretary) at **sue.ayling1@ntlworld.com**.

Autumn Vaccination Programme

Please support the GP practice this winter in our vaccination programme.

The practice will be starting Flu vaccinations next month, with clinics already scheduled on Saturday 8th October and Saturday 22nd October for patients aged Over 65 only.

Patients under 65 and eligible for the flu vaccine will be able to attend clinics from the end of October, but the exact clinic dates are yet to be finalised.

Further clinics will be scheduled over the coming month, so please contact reception to book. Dates will also be published on the practice website and Facebook page.

Carers Meeting

If you are a carer for someone and need advice and financial or emotional support, please come along to our carers support meeting on Weds 7th September at Willingham Surgery, where we will be holding a drop in meeting between 2pm and 4pm. Please come along and get some support from other people in the local community. Refreshments provided, no need to pre-book and completely FREE!

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month at Willingham Surgery. Please contact Sue Lawson at the surgery or email her at **susan.lawson7@nhs.net** for more information.

Bar Hill Tennis Club

www.barhilltennisclub.co.uk

We are pleased to announce that we are able to offer significantly reduced winter memberships allowing you to play at any time from 1 September through to 31.3.23:

Adult: £25

Junior: £5

Family: £45

Key for floodlights if required - £15

For full details of our very competitive membership fees please visit our web site www.barhilltennisclub.co.uk, email, call us (details below) or pop down to the courts during Club nights.

Membership entitles you to play at anytime but the courts are also available to hire for private play. Membership applications and individual court hires can all be booked and paid for "on line" via our website.

Our Adult Club nights are Tuesdays & Thursdays 6.30 to 9pm and we play social tennis – very relaxed and catering for all standards. We play through to late autumn and maybe beyond subject to weather!

Please come along and give tennis a try. We welcome players of all abilities.

We look forward to seeing you!

CONTACT:

Paul Chubbuck (Secretary)

Mobile **07983 435104**

Email: **info@barhilltennisclub.co.uk**

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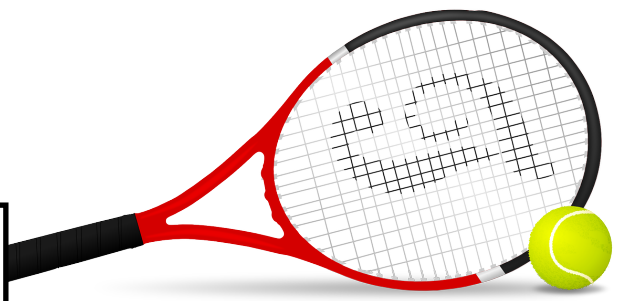


Bar Hill Pre-School

We thank those families that have attended our 'Parent and Child' summer sessions, it has been great to see you all. Around these summer sessions, we have been busy giving the setting a fresh look ready for the new school year.

We have had some great success with our tomato plants in the setting garden, and we hear that the children's sunflowers are growing well in their gardens.

We are looking forward to welcoming our new families joining us in September.

Interested in finding out more and booking a place for your child? Contact **enquiries@barhillpreschool.co.uk** or call **01954 782892**. You could also visit our website www.barhillpreschool.co.uk for an enrolment form.

Children are offered places from the age of two years old. We are open 9am-3pm in term time only. Funding and childcare payment schemes accepted.

BAR HILL SKATEPARK

No update this month as we're not meeting (August is a difficult month as so many people are away/ have childcare issues).

Work will continue next month!

Would you like to be involved??

https://bit.ly/bh-skatepark

Why Three? By Roger Hall

A meeting between the Parish Council and the Residents' Association in February 1971 agreed on a division of responsibilities, amended on 6th December 1976, when the Parish Council was given by Bar Developments all amenity land inside and outside the perimeter road, the freeholds of housing phases yet to be developed and the Old Farmhouse and on 3rd August 2021 when various functions of the Bar Hill Residents' Association became the responsibility of the newly formed Bar Hill Community Association (registered Charity Number 1195382).

BAR HILL PARISH COUNCIL

Should negotiate with Cambridgeshire County Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council on:

- All planning issues,
- The Village Green, Park and playing fields,
- The Health Centre,
- Library facilities,
- Roads and street lighting,
- Attraction of industry and commerce of the village,
- Provision of Allotments,
- Memorial Garden, and
- Playground equipment on the Village Green.

And other items, which, in some instances are the responsibilities of parish councils.

THE BAR HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Act as a 'ginger group', regarding the above and bring matters to the attention of the Parish Council.

Provide assistance to clubs and societies in the village in conjunction with the charity, Bar Hill Community Association.

Foster community spirit by organising and supporting village events and welcoming new residents.

Provide playground equipment on the Village Green.

BAR HILL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The Community Association will publish the Bar Hill News on behalf of the Residents' Association. Income derived from advertising will go directly to the Community Association which will use it for the benefit of the village in line with its objects (the rules charities use to function). The objects for the new charity are;

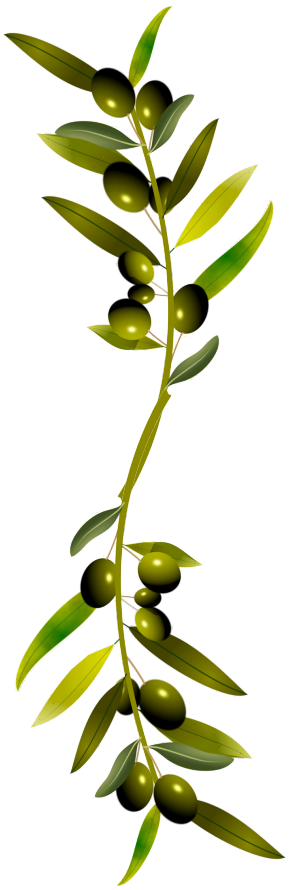
"To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of Bar Hill Village, South Cambridgeshire and the surrounding area the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the condition of life of the said inhabitants."

The intention, in the future, is to broaden the charity and have events like the Christmas lights, the Village Fete, Community Hub, all becoming part of it.

EDITORS' NOTE: This was Roger's final article that we were working on together before he passed. I've attempted to finish it - although you (and me!) will have to see Roger's new book when it's published to see how close I came to his words!

He will be sorely missed not just for his extensive knowledge of the village but also support and wry smile as he raised a finger to deliver his "interesting facts"!

Olive Tree Bereavement Group



Our next meeting for members will be on held on Saturday 10th September at 10.30a.m. in the Octagon as usual. The November meeting will be on the 8th October 2022.

We will be pleased to see you if you are a regular member, a new member or if you have never been before.

We are conscious that summer is now slowly coming to an end, and with the evenings drawing in. You may still find it difficult to cope with, an extra feeling of isolation and loneliness. If this, is you perhaps you will come along and meet people experiencing this to?

This is a very welcoming group where you can talk quite freely and your confidence will be respected. There will be time to share your experiences, listen and have discussion as well as getting to know others in the group, with time for refreshments too.

If you are wondering whether the group is right for you, please phone one of us to talk about it.

The leaders, who are CRUSE Trained, and members of the group will offer a warm welcome and you will be in the presence of people who have been through loss and understand the particular pain and difficulties that this brings.

For more details telephone Sue Kenchington **780260**, Chris Stannard **781978**, or Maggie Cox **488657**.

Memorial Garden Update

I am delighted to be able to show you all the new Memorial Garden Bench that you so kindly contributed to. We are so grateful. For those who have not seen it or sat on it see it below.

The last appeal for volunteers has produced five more lovely individuals. Should you wish to join us then contact Chris below.

Unfortunately, many of you may have noticed the deterioration in the sleepers on the exterior of the two flower beds. We plan to replace these in due course. However, this is going to be very expensive. It is hoped to replace with oak sleepers which will last longer. We have looked at Recycled Plastic but as yet they seem more expensive. A provisional estimate is £2500 for materials alone. As soon as we know a more accurate cost, we will issue an appeal.

Should you wish to place a Memorial Plaque then contact Chris Stannard on **01954 781978** or **07711 623425**. Email **c.e.stannard1@gmail.com**

Bar Hill Childminders

Bar Hill Childminders are Ofsted registered (graded Good and Outstanding), fully insured and have Paediatric First Aid training.

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Jacky - **07718447998**– ages 6 months upwards. Term-time and all year round. Spaces expected from September 2023

Kirsten – **07906218070** – ages 6 months upwards. Term-times and all year round. Limited space from September 2022

Kirsty - **07584168909** Over the hill Out of School Club - Preschool year upwards. Wrap around and holiday care.

During June and July we were very busy with the children. We celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee by making our own bunting and having a tea party with all our friends at the Childminding Group. We also made cards that we sent and we're hoping to get a reply from the Queen!

We learnt about growing and life cycles. We planted cress, sunflowers and runner beans watered, cared for them and watched them grow. We also had some tiny caterpillars that we watched get really big and go into Chrysalis, after a few days they hatched into butterflies and we watched them practice their flying and fed them fruit and sugar water before releasing them into the garden.

We have enjoyed playing at the parks and bug hunting on nature walks. We have learnt the names of flowers and trees that we've seen. We have also enjoyed baking and eating yummy treats.

We have sung and danced at Jungle Boogie and Parafunalia. Now school has broken up we will be exploring further afield with the children and making the most of the good weather.

BAR HILL SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

www.barhillssc.co.uk bhssc.stewards@btconnect.com

We are a members club situated at the heart of the village, we offer a wide range of drinks & food in a family friendly environment. To join from as little as £5 visit www.membermojo/barhillssc or come for a visit and see what we offer!

Opening hours: Mon 5-10.30pm Tues-Thurs 5-11pm Fri 2-midnight
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We host many great events and fantastic entertainment and a fortnightly membership draw with £1000 jackpot!

These are just some of the exciting things coming up soon!

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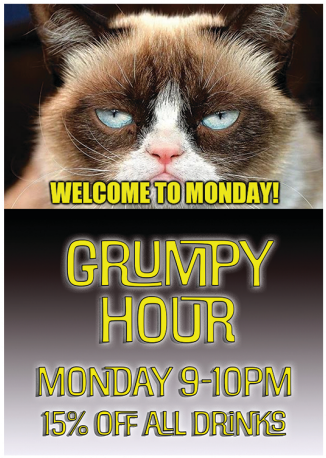

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